

# Newsletter

## Thursday 15th March

### 2018

### Spring term 2

*"Remember, that life is only as good as your mindset"*

Welcome everyone to the latest edition of our school newsletter, where we try to give you all the information you need to keep informed and up to date about all aspects of school life. As always it has been a busy time since the last newsletter and as always both the pupils and staff have risen to the challenge. It was fantastic to see so many of you at the recent mother's day lunch and well done to Mrs Harvey and the lunch time staff for organising the event so smoothly.

A huge thanks also to all the parents and guardians who joined us for the coffee and book sale that took place last week. Your generosity never ceases to amaze us and over £600 was raised, of which we receive a percentage of sales in books for classrooms and the library.

There are a number of dates in this newsletter that we are sharing with you so please take a look as there are many things happening in school until Easter.

Best wishes

Mr Lee Kilkenny, Headteacher

Miss Meg Griffiths, Deputy Headteacher

#### *Our current topics*

*Wagtail Class*

*Traditional Tales*

*Robin Class*

*Paws, Claws and Whiskers*

*Owl Class*

*Darwin's Delight*

*Kingfisher Class*

*Ancient Egypt*

#### Ofsted News

As you are aware we had an Ofsted inspection on the 27th and 28th of February. We would like to thank all parents and carers for the overwhelmingly positive comments on the parent view portal. The pupils were as always excellent throughout and a real credit. We can't really say anything until we receive the final report, but we look forward to sharing it with you shortly.

#### Music Services

If your child is interested in any of the musical opportunities we offer at school, then please would you fill in the attached form and return it to Mrs Harvey in the office please. This is a fantastic service which allows your child to participate in something new or different with qualified music instructors.

## Holiday Dates 2017/18

School ends—Thursday 29th March

**Easter Holidays—Friday 30th March–Friday 13th April**

School starts—Monday 16th April

Monday 7th May: Bank holiday

**Whitsun Half term: Monday 28th May - Friday 1st June**

School starts: Monday 4th June

School term ends Friday 20th July

## Some other key dates for the diary

Tuesday 20th March: Netball at Polesworth High School 4pm start

Thursday 22nd March: Chocolate bingo at school 6pm start

Friday 23rd March: Sports relief

Thursday 29th March: Easter service at church, 2pm start

Thursday 29th March: Break up for Easter

***School starts—Monday 16th April 2018***

### Safeguarding In School

As a school we take safeguarding very seriously at Austrey. The Designated Safeguarding Lead in school is Mr Lee Kilkenny. The Deputy DSL is Miss Meg Griffiths and our Safeguarding Governor is Reverend Stephen Banks. If you are worried about a child's welfare you can talk to any member of staff and your concerns will be passed on in complete confidence, you can also contact the Warwickshire Safeguarding team direct on 01926 414144 for advice and support, or look on line at the Warwickshire Safeguarding Board.

### Easter Service

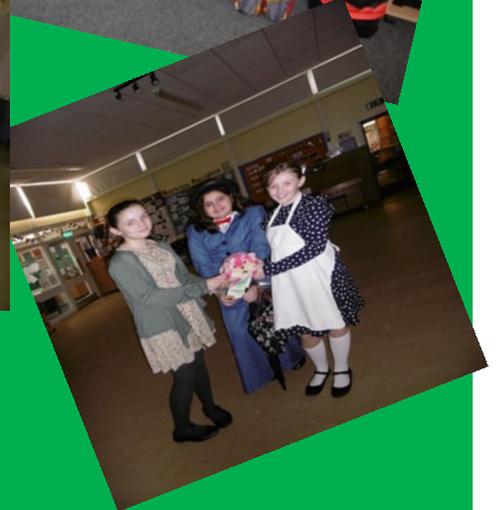
We know it is on the diary dates but just a quick reminder that the Easter service at St Nicholas is on ***Maundy Thursday***, which is Thursday 29th March at 2pm. As always could we ask people ***not to park*** in the Bird in Hand public house as they will be open for business and it restricts customers from gaining access.

### Education Strategy Consultation

Warwickshire are launching their consultation strategy for education 2018-2023 and would be keen to hear from all stakeholders. If you wish to have your say or contribute please email [educationstrategy@warwickshire.gov.uk](mailto:educationstrategy@warwickshire.gov.uk)

### World Book Day

What a fantastic response we had to World Book Day, we had so many pupils dressing up as all sorts of book characters. We hope you enjoy the photos attached.



### Sports Relief

As we always do, we will be doing lots of crazy stuff to support Sports Relief this year. Could you please ensure that your child wears a tracksuit/sports kit on **Friday 23rd of March** so that they can join in with a host of activities that are planned. Don't forget to bring some money along to donate to this worthwhile cause.



### Swimming Gala

We were involved in a swimming gala yesterday at Kingsbury and the school did brilliantly. We won a number of individual medals and team relays. The support from parents was brilliant. Well done everyone.

## STARS, MERITS AND WELL DONES

We want to try and promote everything that your children do both in and out of school, so that they can really *live life in all its fullness* with that in mind, well done to the following pupils and staff for achieving things in school and at home.

*Ruby, Bronte, Alice W, Nicole , Alice M, Imogen, Samson , Seth, Ellie, Maisy A, Tom D, Gareth, Evie-Jean, Charlie, Liam, Will, Mrs Mander for leading mother's day service, All the swimming team*

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